

## State Water Resources Control Board

Division of Drinking Water

December 19, 2014  
System No.: 5401076

Mr. Gary Nakagawa, Plant Manager  
Golden State Vintners  
38558 Road 128  
Cutler, CA 93615

RE: **Citation No. 03-24-14C-008**  
**Violation of Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Section 64426.1,**  
**For August 2014**

Dear Mr. Nakagawa:

Enclosed is a Citation issued to the Golden State Vintners (Water System) public water system.

The Water System will be billed at the Division's hourly rate (currently estimated at \$126.00) for the time spent on issuing this Citation. The California Health and Safety Code Section 116577 provides that a public water system must reimburse the Division for actual costs incurred by the Division for specific enforcement actions, including but not limited to, preparing, issuing and monitoring compliance with a citation. At this time, the Division has spent approximately one hour on enforcement activities associated with this violation.

The Water System will receive a bill sent from the Division of Drinking Water Fee Billing Unit in August of the next fiscal year. This bill will contain fees for any enforcement time spent on Golden State Vintners for the current fiscal year.

If you have any questions regarding this letter and the enclosed citation, please contact the Tulare District office at (559) 447-3300.

Sincerely,



Chad Fischer, P.E.  
Senior Sanitary Engineer, Tulare District  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH  
DRINKING WATER FIELD OPERATIONS

CJF/TS  
Enclosure  
cc: Tulare County Environmental Health Department

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER**

IN RE: **GOLDEN STATE VINTNERS**  
Water System No. 5401076

TO: Mr. Gary Nakagawa, Plant Manager  
Golden State Vintners  
38558 Road 128  
Cutler, CA 93615

CC: Fresno County Division of Environmental Services  
Tulare County Environmental Health Services Department

**CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF  
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22, SECTION 64426.1  
August 2014**

**Issued on December 19, 2014**

Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the issuance of a citation to a public water system for violation of the California Safe Drinking Water Act (Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with Section 116270) (hereinafter "California SDWA"), or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued or adopted thereunder.

The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and through its Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director for the Division (hereinafter "Deputy Director"), hereby issues a citation to the Golden State Vintners (hereinafter "Water System") (6734 Charity Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93308) for violation of California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Section 64426.1.

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2 **APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES**

3 The applicable statutes and regulations are provided in Appendix A, attached hereto and  
4 incorporated by reference.  
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6 **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

7 The Water System is a nontransient noncommunity water system serving a population of  
8 approximately 50 persons through 10 service connections. Effective July 1, 2014  
9 regulatory oversight for this water system was transferred to the Division from the Tulare  
10 County Department of Environmental Health. The Water System currently operates under  
11 a water supply permit issued by the Tulare County Department of Environmental Health on  
12 September 28, 2011.  
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14 The Water System is required to collect a minimum of one distribution system  
15 bacteriological sample per month. The bacteriological water analysis results submitted by  
16 the Water System reported the presence of total coliform bacteria in the monthly routine  
17 sample collected by the Water System in August 2014. The positive sample did not show  
18 the presence of fecal coliform or *E. coli* bacteria.  
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20 Upon being informed of the presence of total coliform bacteria in the routine sample  
21 collected on August 21, 2014, Water System staff collected a total of four repeat samples  
22 on August 22, 2014. Three of the repeat samples showed the presence of total coliform  
23 bacteria. An additional set of four repeat samples were collected on August 28, 2014.  
24 One of the repeat samples was positive for total coliform bacteria. None of the repeat  
25 samples showed the presence of *E. coli* bacteria. All distribution water samples for coliform  
26 bacteria collected during August and September are summarized in Attachment B.  
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1 The cause of the contamination is unknown since no specific source of contamination has  
2 been identified (see attachment A). The Water System does not provide continuous  
3 disinfection of the distribution system. The analytical results for the well that was online in  
4 the month of August 2014 reported concentrations of 5.3 MPN/100mL for total coliform  
5 bacteria and <1.0 MPN/100mL for *E. Coli*. Follow up source sampling conducted on  
6 August 28, 2014 reported concentrations of 1.0 MPN/100mL for total coliform bacteria and  
7 <1.1 MPN/100mL for *E. coli* bacteria.

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9 The five routine samples required the month following a month with one or more total  
10 coliform positive samples were collected on September 22, 2014, and were negative for  
11 total coliform bacteria.

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13 The Groundwater Rule (GWR) requires the collection of a sample for bacteriological  
14 evaluation from the well(s) serving the system in response to a coliform positive distribution  
15 sample within 24 hours of being notified of the coliform positive result. Based on data  
16 submitted to the Division, the Water System collected their raw water samples in a timely  
17 manner in follow up to the total coliform positive routine sample collected on August 21,  
18 2014. All source water samples for coliform bacteria collected during August and  
19 September are summarized in Attachment C.

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21 Public notification to the Division and consumers of a water system is required whenever a  
22 violation of the Total Coliform MCL occurs. Notification to the Division is required by the  
23 end of the business day on which the violation has been determined. If the Division is  
24 closed, notification shall be within 24 hours of the determination. The Division was notified  
25 of the Total Coliform MCL violation on August 25.

1 Public notification to the consumers of the Water System was conducted on August 26,  
2 2014 advising each customer of the failure of the total coliform MCL during the month of  
3 August 2014. The Division received a copy of the posted notice and Proof of Notification on  
4 August 28, 2014. A copy of the notice that was posted is provided as Attachment D. Proof  
5 of Notification is provided as Attachment E.

#### 7 DETERMINATION

8 Title 22, CCR, Section 64426.1, Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)  
9 provides that a public water system that collects fewer than 40 bacteriological samples per  
10 month has violated the regulation if more than one sample collected during any month is  
11 total coliform positive.

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13 The Division has determined that the Water System failed to comply with Title 22, CCR,  
14 Section 64426.1, Total Coliform MCL for the month of August 2014 due to the presence of  
15 total coliform bacteria in five of nine samples collected in August 2014.

#### 17 DIRECTIVES

18 Golden State Vintners has completed the necessary public notification and investigation  
19 and no other directives are necessary at this time.

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21 The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to the Citation as it may deem  
22 necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be issued as  
23 amendments to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.

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25 Nothing in this Citation relieves the Water System of its obligation to meet the requirements  
26 of the California Safe Drinking Water Act or any regulation, standard, permit or order  
27 issued thereunder.

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2 All submittal required by this Citation shall be submitted to the Division at the following  
3 address:

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5 Chad Fischer, P.E.  
6 Senior Sanitary Engineer  
7 State Water Resources Control Board  
8 Division of Drinking Water  
9 265 W. Bullard Avenue, Suite 101  
10 Fresno, CA 93704

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13 **PARTIES BOUND**

14 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the Golden State Vintners, its officers,  
15 directors, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.

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17 **SEVERABILITY**

18 The Directives of this Citation are severable, and the Water System shall comply with each  
19 and every provision thereof notwithstanding the effectiveness of any provision.

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21 **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

22 The California SDWA authorizes the Board to: issue citation with assessment of  
23 administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of the  
24 requirements of the California SDWA or any permit, regulation or order issued or adopted  
25 thereunder including, but not limited to, failure to correct a violation identified in a citation or  
26 compliance order. The California SDWA also authorizes the Board to take action to  
27 suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the system  
has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to comply with an order of the  
Board; and to petition the superior court to take various enforcement measures against a  
public water system that has failed to comply with an order of the Board. The Board does  
not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this citation.

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8 Chad Fischer, P.E.  
9 Senior Sanitary Engineer, Tulare District  
10 DRINKING WATER FIELD OPERATIONS BRANCH

11 **CJF/TS**

12 **Appendices:**

13 Appendix A: Applicable Statutes Regulations for Citation 03-24-14C-008

14 **Attachments:**

15 Attachment A: Positive Total Coliform Investigation report  
16 Attachment B: Summary of Distribution Bacteriological Samples from August 2014 to Sept. 2014  
17 Attachment C: Summary of Source Bacteriological Samples from August 2014 to Sept. 2014  
18 Attachment D: Public Notice for August 2014  
19 Attachment E: Proof of Notification Form





## **APPENDIX A**

### **Applicable Statues and Regulations for Citation No. 03-24-14C-008**

#### **Section 116650 of the CHSC states in relevant part:**

##### **§116650. Citations**

- (a) If the Division determines that a public water system is in violation of this chapter or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder, the Division may issue a citation to the public water system. The citation shall be served upon the public water system personally or by certified mail. Service shall be deemed effective as of the date of personal service or the date of receipt of the certified mail. If a person to whom a citation is directed refuses to accept delivery of the certified mail, the date of service shall be deemed to be the date of mailing.
- (b) Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe the nature of the violation or violations, including a reference to the statutory provision, standard, order, citation, permit, or regulation alleged to have been violated.
- (c) A citation may specify a date for elimination or correction of the condition constituting the violation.
- (d) A citation may include the assessment of a penalty as specified in subdivision (e).
- (e) The Division may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day that a violation occurred, and for each day that a violation continues to occur. A separate penalty may be assessed for each violation.

#### **Section 64424 of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) states in relevant part:**

##### **§64424. Repeat Sampling.**

- (a) If a routine sample is total coliform-positive, the water supplier shall collect a repeat sample set as described in paragraph (a)(1) within 24 hours of being notified of the positive result. The repeat samples shall all be collected within the same 24 hour time period. A single service connection system may request that the Division allow the collection of the repeat sample set over a four-day period.
  - (1) For a water supplier that normally collects more than one routine sample a month, a repeat sample set shall be at least three samples for each total coliform-positive sample. For a water supplier that normally collects one or fewer samples per month, a repeat sample set shall be at least four samples for each total coliform-positive sample.
  - (2) If the water supplier is unable to collect the samples within the 24-hour time period specified in subsection (a) or deliver the samples to the laboratory within 24 hours after collection because of circumstances beyond its control, the water supplier shall notify the Department within 24 hours. The Department will then determine how much time the supplier will have to collect the repeat samples.
- (b) When collecting the repeat sample set, the water supplier shall collect at least one repeat sample from the sampling tap where the original total coliform-positive sample was taken. Other repeat samples shall be collected within five service connections upstream or downstream of the original site. At least one sample shall be from upstream and one from downstream unless there is no upstream and/or downstream service connection.
- (c) If one or more samples in the repeat sample set is total coliform-positive, the water supplier shall collect and have analyzed an additional set of repeat samples as



- specified in subsections (a) and (b). The supplier shall repeat this process until either no coliforms are detected in one complete repeat sample set or the supplier determines that the MCL for total coliforms specified in §64426.1 has been exceeded and notifies the Department.
- (d) If a public water system for which fewer than five routine samples/month are collected has one or more total coliform-positive samples, the water supplier shall collect at least five routine samples the following month. If the supplier stops supplying water during the month after the total coliform-positive(s), at least five samples shall be collected during the first month the system resumes operation. A water supplier may request the Department waive the requirement to collect at least five routine samples the following month, but a waiver will not be granted solely on the basis that all repeat samples are total coliform-negative. To request a waiver, one of the following conditions shall be met:
- (1) The Department conducts a site visit before the end of the next month the system provides water to the public to determine whether additional monitoring and/or corrective action is necessary to protect public health.
  - (2) The Department determines why the sample was total coliform-positive and establishes that the system has corrected the problem or will correct the problem before the end of the next month the system serves water to the public. If a waiver is granted, a system shall collect at least one routine sample before the end of the next month it serves water to the public and use it to determine compliance with §64426.1.

**Section 64426.1 of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) states in relevant part:**  
§64426.1. Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL).

- (a) Results of all samples collected in a calendar month pursuant to Sections 64423, 64424, and 64425 that are not invalidated by the Department or the laboratory shall be included in determining compliance with the total coliform MCL. Special purpose samples such as those listed in §64421(b) and samples collected by the water supplier during special investigations shall not be used to determine compliance with the total coliform MCL.
- (b) A public water system is in violation of the total coliform MCL when any of the following occurs:
- (1) For a public water system which collects at least 40 samples per month, more than 5.0 percent of the samples collected during any month are total coliform-positive; or
  - (2) For a public water system which collects fewer than 40 samples per month, more than one sample collected during any month is total coliform-positive; or
  - (3) Any repeat sample is fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-positive; or
  - (4) Any repeat sample following a fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-positive routine sample is total coliform-positive.
- (c) If a public water system is not in compliance with paragraphs (b)(1) through (4), during any month in which it supplies water to the public, the water supplier shall notify the Department by the end of the business day on which this is determined, unless the determination occurs after the Department office is closed, in which case the supplier shall notify the Department within 24 hours of the determination. The water supplier shall also notify the consumers served by the water system. A Tier 2 Public Notice shall be given for violations of paragraphs (b)(1) or (2), pursuant to section 64463.4. A Tier 1 Public Notice shall be given for violations of paragraphs (b)(3) or (4), pursuant to section 64463.1.

**Section 64463.4 of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) states in relevant part:**  
§64463.4. Tier 2 Public Notice.

- (a) A water system shall give public notice pursuant to this section if any of the following occurs:
- (1) Any violation of the MCL, MRDL, and treatment technique requirements, except:
    - (A) Where a Tier 1 public notice is required under section 64463.1; or
    - (B) Where the Department determines that a Tier 1 public notice is required, based on potential health impacts and persistence of the violations;
  - (2) All violations of the monitoring and testing procedure requirements in sections 64421 through 64426.1, article 3 (Primary Standards – Bacteriological Quality), for which the Department determines that a Tier 2 rather than a Tier 3 public notice is required, based on potential health impacts and persistence of the violations;

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- (b) A water system shall give the notice as soon as possible within 30 days after it learns of a violation or occurrence specified in subsection (a), except that the water system may request an extension of up to 60 days for providing the notice. This extension would be subject to the Department's written approval based on the violation or occurrence having been resolved and the Department's determination that public health and welfare would in no way be adversely affected. In addition, the water system shall:
- (1) Maintain posted notices in place for as long as the violation or occurrence continues, but in no case less than seven days;
  - (2) Repeat the notice every three months as long as the violation or occurrence continues. Subject to the Department's written approval based on its determination that public health would in no way be adversely affected, the water system may be allowed to notice less frequently but in no case less than once per year. No allowance for reduced frequency of notice shall be given in the case of a total coliform MCL violation or violation of a Chapter 17 treatment technique requirement; and

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- (c) A water system shall deliver the notice, in a manner designed to reach persons served, within the required time period as follows:
- (1) Unless otherwise directed by the Department in writing based on its assessment of the violation or occurrence and the potential for adverse effects on public health and welfare, community water systems shall give public notice by:
    - (A) Mail or direct delivery to each customer receiving a bill including those that provide their drinking water to others (e.g., schools or school systems, apartment building owners, or large private employers), and other service connections to which water is delivered by the water system; and
    - (B) Use of one or more of the following methods to reach persons not likely to be reached by a mailing or direct delivery (renters, university students, nursing home patients, prison inmates, etc.):
      1. Publication in a local newspaper;
      2. Posting in conspicuous public places served by the water system, or on the Internet; or
      3. Delivery to community organizations.
  - (2) Unless otherwise directed by the Department in writing based on its assessment of the violation or occurrence and the potential for adverse effects on public health and welfare, noncommunity water systems shall give the public notice by:

- (A) Posting in conspicuous locations throughout the area served by the water system; and
- (B) Using one or more of the following methods to reach persons not likely to be reached by a public posting:
  - 1. Publication in a local newspaper or newsletter distributed to customers;
  - 2. E-mail message to employees or students;
  - 3. Posting on the Internet or intranet; or
  - 4. Direct delivery to each customer.

**Section 64465. of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) states in relevant part:**  
 §64465. Public Notice Content and Format.

- (a) Each public notice given pursuant to this article, except Tier 3 public notices for variances and exemptions pursuant to subsection (b), shall contain the following:
  - (1) A description of the violation or occurrence, including the contaminant(s) of concern, and (as applicable) the contaminant level(s);
  - (2) The date(s) of the violation or occurrence;
  - (3) Any potential adverse health effects from the violation or occurrence, including the appropriate standard health effects language from appendices 64465-A through G;
  - (4) The population at risk, including subpopulations particularly vulnerable if exposed to the contaminant in drinking water;
  - (5) Whether alternative water supplies should be used;
  - (6) What actions consumers should take, including when they should seek medical help, if known;
  - (7) What the water system is doing to correct the violation or occurrence;
  - (8) When the water system expects to return to compliance or resolve the occurrence;
  - (9) The name, business address, and phone number of the water system owner, operator, or designee of the water system as a source of additional information concerning the public notice;
  - (10) A statement to encourage the public notice recipient to distribute the public notice to other persons served, using the following standard language: "Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this public notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail"; and
  - (11) For a water system with a monitoring and testing procedure violation, this language shall be included: "We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards. During [compliance period dates], we ['did not monitor or test' or 'did not complete all monitoring or testing'] for [contaminant(s)], and therefore, cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time."

. . . . .

- (c) Each public notice given pursuant to this article shall contain information in Spanish regarding the importance of the notice, or contain a telephone number or address where Spanish-speaking residents may contact the water system to obtain a translated copy of the public notice or assistance in Spanish. For each non-English speaking group other than Spanish-speaking that exceeds 1,000 residents or 10% of the residents in the community served, whichever is less, the public notice shall:

- (1) Contain information in the appropriate language(s) regarding the importance of the notice, or
  - (2) Contain a telephone number or address where such residents may contact the water system to obtain a translated copy of the notice or assistance in the appropriate language.
- (d) Each public notice given pursuant to this article shall:
- (1) Be displayed such that it catches people's attention when printed or posted and be formatted in such a way that the message in the public notice can be understood at the eighth-grade level;
  - (2) Not contain technical language beyond an eighth-grade level or print smaller than 12 point; and
  - (3) Not contain language that minimizes or contradicts the information being given in the public notice.



**POSITIVE TOTAL COLIFORM INVESTIGATION**  
**Simple Well with Pressure Tank Systems**

This form is intended to assist public water systems in completing the investigation required by the Division of Drinking Water (Section 64426(b) of Title 22, California Code of Regulations) and may be modified to take into account conditions unique to the system.

**ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

<b>PWS Name:</b>	Golden State Vintners-Cutter Winery	<b>PWSID NUMBER:</b>	5401076
<b>Name</b>	Gary Nakagawa- Plant Manager	<b>Address</b>	38558 Road 128, Cutter, CA 93615
<b>Operator in Responsible Charge (ORC)</b>	FGL (Neil Jessup)		559-528-3033
<b>Person that collected TC samples if different than ORC</b>			559-734-8435
<b>Owner</b>	The Wine Group		209-599-4111
<b>Certified Laboratory for Microbiological Analyses</b>	FGL		559-734-8435
<b>Date Investigation Completed:</b>	September 8, 2014		
<b>Month(s) of Total Coliform MCL Failure:</b>	March 2014, May 2014 and August 2014		

**INVESTIGATION DETAILS**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>WELL</b>	<b>WELL</b>	<b>WELL</b>	<b>WELL</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
	(name) #2	(name)	(name)	(name)	
1. Inspect each well head for physical defects and report	Done				Only one well #2
a. Is raw water sample tap upstream from point of disinfection?	Yes				
b. Is wellhead vent pipe screened?	Yes				
c. Is wellhead seal watertight?	Yes				
d. Is well head located in pit or is any piping from the wellhead submerged?	Yes				Wellhead is below ground surface. Submersible pump.
e. Does the ground surface slope towards well head?	Yes				
f. Is there evidence of standing water near the wellhead?	No				
g. Are there any connections to the raw water piping that could be cross connections? (describe all connections in comments)	No				
h. Is the wellhead secured to prevent unauthorized access?	Yes				
i. To what treatment plant (name) does this well pump?	None				Once/month
j. How often do you take a raw water total coliform (TC) test?	Per Permit				
k. Provide the date and result of the last TC test at this location	See comment				Sampled 8/21/14- positive TC

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DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM	SYSTEM RESPONSES
1. What is the minimum pressure you are maintaining in the distribution system?	70-80 PSI
2. Did pressure in the distribution system drop to less than 5 psi prior to experiencing the TCR positive finding?	No
3. Has the distribution system been worked on within the last week? (service taps, hydrant flushing, main breaks, main extensions, etc.) If yes, provide details.	No
4. Are there any signs of excavations near your distribution system not under the direct control of your maintenance staff?	No
5. Did you inspect your distribution system to check for mainline leaks? Do you or did you have a mainline leak?	Yes and found no mainline leaks
6. If there was a mainline leak, when was it repaired?	N/A
7. On what date was the distribution system last flushed?	8/26/2014- Used Chlorine and flushed water system
8. Is there a written flushing procedure you can provide for our review?	No
9. Do you have an active cross connection control program?	Yes- May 20, 2013
10. What is name and phone number of your Cross-Connection Control Program Coordinator?	Michael McKeever, pH# 559-673-9646
11. Is the review and testing of backflow prevention devices current?	N/A
12. On what date was the last physical survey of the system done to identify cross-connections?	May 20, 2013

SAMPLE SITE EVALUATION (Complete for all TC+ or EC+ findings)	Routine Site TC+ or EC+	Upstream Site	Downstream Site	Sample 4 (specify) Well
1. What is the height of the sample tap above grade? (inches)	42 inches	38 inches	43 inches	60 inches
2. Is the sample tap located in an <u>exterior</u> location or is it protected by an <u>enclosure</u> ?	No-lab faucet	Yes-413	Yes-506	Yes-well
3. Is the sample tap threaded, have a swing arm (kitchen sink) or aerator (sinks)?	Yes	No	Yes	No
4. Is the sample tap in good condition, free of leaks around the stem or packing?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
5. Can the sample tap be adjusted to the point where a good laminar flow can be achieved without excessive splash?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
6. Is the sample tap and area around the sample tap clean and dry (free of animal droppings, other contaminants or spray irrigation systems)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
7. Is the area around the sample tap free of excessive vegetation or other impediments to sample collection	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
8. Describe how the tap was treated in preparation for sample collection (ran water, swabbed with disinfectant, flamed, etc.)	Ran water, turned off water, pour chlorine on outside of tap, turned on water, took sample	Ran water, turned off water, pour chlorine on outside of tap, turned on water, took sample	Ran water, turned off water, pour chlorine on outside of tap, turned on water, took sample	Ran water, turned off water, pour chlorine on outside of tap, turned on water, took sample

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SAMPLE SITE EVALUATION (Complete for all TC+ or EC+ findings)		Routine Site TC+ or EC+	Upstream Site	Downstream Site	Sample 4 (Specify) Well
9. Is this sample tap designated on the sampling plan submitted with this information request?	Yes				on water, took sample Yes
10. What were the weather conditions at the time of the positive sample (rainy, windy, sunny)?	sunny and warm	sunny and warm	sunny and warm	sunny and warm	sunny and warm

GENERAL OPERATIONS:	Response
1. Where there any power outages that affected water system facilities during the 30 days prior to the TC+ or EC + findings?	No
2. Where there any main breaks, water outages, or low pressure reported in the service area where TC+ or EC+ samples were located.	No
3. Does the system have backup power or elevated storage?	No power and Yes storage tank is above ground
4. During or soon after bacteriological quality problems, did you receive any complaints of any customers' illness suspected of being waterborne? How many?	No
5. What were the symptoms of illness if you received complaints about customers being sick?	No

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED WITH RESPONSES TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS

1. **Sketch** of System showing all sources, treatment locations, storage tanks, microbiological sampling sites and general layout of the distribution system including the location of all hazardous connections such as the wastewater treatment facility.
2. A set of photographs of the well, pressure tanks, and storage tanks in the system may be submitted if they would show that the contamination is directly related and changes have been made since the last inspection by our Department
3. Name, certification level and certificate number of the Operator in Responsible Charge.
4. Copy of the last cross connection survey performed that identifies the location of all unprotected cross connections.

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**SUMMARY:** BASED ON THE RESULTS OF YOUR INVESTIGATION AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION AT YOUR DISPOSAL, WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE TO BE THE CAUSE OF THE POSITIVE TOTAL COLIFORM SAMPLES FROM YOUR PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM?

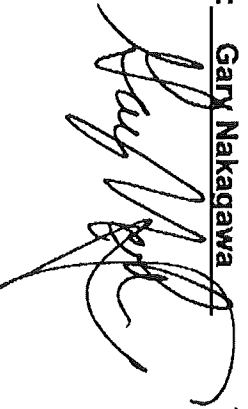
The investigation did not show why positive coliforms but will continue to monitor.

**CERTIFICATION:** I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THE QUESTIONS ABOVE IS ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE

NAME: Gary Nakagawa

TITLE: Plant Manager

DATE: 9/16/2014





# Bacteriological Distribution Monitoring Report

5401076 Golden State Vintners

Distribution System Freq: 1/M

Sample Date	Location	T Coli	E Coli	F Coli	HPC	Type	Cl2	Cl2 Avg	Viol. Type	GWR Satisfied?	Comments
9/22/2014	5 Samples	A	A			Routine					
9/15/2014	1ROU	A	A			Routine					
8/28/2014	East Wall Lab Sink	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
8/28/2014	Tank 413	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
8/28/2014	Well 1 - Back Up Well	1	<1.0			Source Repeat					
8/28/2014	Office Sink	<1.0	<1.0			Repeat					
8/22/2014	East Wall Lab Sink	1	<1.0			Repeat					
8/22/2014	BRF Front Office	<1.0	<1.0			Routine					
8/22/2014	Tank 413	1	<1.0			Repeat					
8/22/2014	Well	5.3	<1.0			Source Repeat			MCL	Yes	Citation 03-24-14C-009
8/21/2014	East Wall Faucet	P	A			Routine					

## Violation Key

MCL	Exceeds the maximum contaminant level	MR5	Incorrect number of repeat samples as follow-up to a positive sample
MR1	No monthly sample for the report month	MR6	No source sample
MR2	No quarterly sample for the report month	MR7	No summary report submitted
MR3	Incorrect number of routine samples for the report month	MR8	Other comments and/or info
MR4	Did not collect 5 routine samples for previous month's positive sample	MR9	Cl2 not reported

## Source Bacteriological Monitoring Report

**5401076 Golden State Vintners**

<i>Sample Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Source</i>	<i>Sample Type</i>	<i>Test Method</i>	<i>T Coli</i>	<i>E Coli</i>	<i>F Coli</i>	<i>HPC</i>	<i>Violation</i>	<i>Comments</i>
9/5/2014	12:00	Well 02	Well	MPN	<1.0	<1.0				

**PROOF OF NOTIFICATION**  
(Return with copy of the Notice)

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I notified all users of water supplied by the **Golden State Vintners** of the failure to meet the **total coliform bacteria MCL** for the month of **August 2014** as directed by the Department. At least one primary distribution method is required: mail, hand-delivery or posting in conspicuous locations. A second method is also required in order to reach persons not likely to be reached by a mailing, direct delivery or posting:

Notification was made on Tuesday 8/26/2014  
(date)

To summarize report delivery used and good-faith efforts taken, please check all items below that apply and fill-in where appropriate:

- ☒ Posted the notice at the following conspicuous locations served by the water system (if needed, please attach a list of locations). Office, Packaging and Cellar.
- ☐ The notice was distributed by mail delivery to each customer served by the water system.
- ☐ The notice was distributed by direct delivery to each customer served by the water system. Specify direct delivery method(s) used: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Publication of the notice in a local newspaper or newsletter of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published).
- ☐ Email message to employees or students. \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Other method used to notify customers. \_\_\_\_\_

**DISCLOSURE:** Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code state that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.

Certified by Name and Title: Gary Nakagawa- Plant Operations Manager

Date: 8/26/2014

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*[Handwritten Signature]* 8/26/14

Due to the Dept. of Health Services within 10 days of notification to the public  
Total Coliform MCL Failure / Enforcement Action No.: In progress

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.  
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

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### Golden State Vintners Has Levels of Coliform Bacteria Above the Drinking Water Standard

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Our water system recently failed a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what you should do, what happened and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. We have taken 5 samples to test for the presence of coliform bacteria in August 2014. 4 of these samples showed the presence of total coliform bacteria. The standard is that no more than 1 sample per month may show the presence of coliform bacteria.

#### What should I do?

- **You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions.**
- This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*
- Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the treatment or distribution system (pipes). Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or *E. coli*, are present. We did not find any of these bacteria in our testing.
- People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1(800) 426-4791.
- If you have other health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

#### What happened? What is being done?

The Cutler Water System will be chlorinated (disinfected) and flushed out on Wednesday, graveyard. We anticipate resolving the problem within 24- 48 hours.

For more information, please contact Gary Nakagawa] at 559-528-3033] or at the following mailing address: [38558 Road 128, Cutler, CA 93615.

*Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this public notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.*

This notice is being posted by Golden State Vintners.

Date distributed: 8/26/2014.